



# Belmont, NH

## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

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## County

Belknap

## Labor Market Area

Belmont, NH LMA

## Tourism Region

Lakes

## Planning Commission

Lakes Region

## Regional Development

Belknap County Economic Development Council

## Election Districts

### US Congress

District 1

### Executive Council

District 2

### State Senate

District 7

### State Representative

Belknap County Districts 6, 9

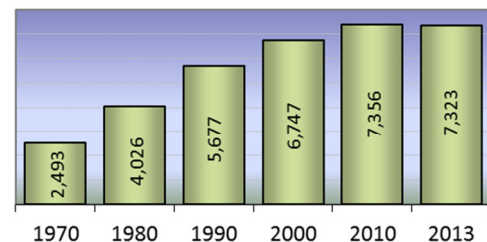
**Incorporated:** 1727

**Origin:** The town was first chartered in 1727 as a parish of Gilmanton known as Upper Gilmanton, and incorporated as such in 1859. In 1869, the voters of the town, who felt the many locations named Gilmanton was confusing, petitioned to rename the town Belmont, to honor Mr. August Belmont, a New York financier, in hopes that he might make a financial contribution to the town. Mr. Belmont never acknowledged the act, having passed away that same year. Belmont was the residence of Governor William Badger, first elected in 1834.

**Villages and Place Names:** Gardners Grove, Lochmere, Winnisquam, Tioga

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,189 residents in 1860

**Population Trends:** Population change for Belmont totaled 5,370 over 53 years, from 1,953 in 1960 to 7,323 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a



61 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 41 percent increase over the next decade. The 2013 Census estimate for Belmont was 7,323 residents, which ranked 41st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau):** 242.9 persons per square mile of land area. Belmont contains 30.2 square miles of land area and 1.8 square miles of inland water area.



| MUNICIPAL SERVICES  |  |   |              |
|---|--|---|--------------|
| Type of Government  |  | Selectmen                               |              |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014                    |  | \$10,115,516                            |              |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2013-2014                  |  | \$8,547,109                             |              |
| Zoning Ordinance  |  | 1986/11                                 |              |
| Master Plan   |  | 2002                                    |              |
| Capital Improvement Plan                                  |  | Yes                                     |              |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By                              |  | Planning Board                          |              |
| Boards and Commissions                                    |  |   |              |
| Elected:  | Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Budget; Library |   |              |
| Appointed:  | Conservation; Cemetery; Heritage             |   |              |
| Public Library  | Belmont Public                               |   |              |
| EMERGENCY SERVICES  |  |   |              |
| Police Department   |  | Full-time                               |              |
| Fire Department   |  | Full-time & On-Call                     |              |
| Emergency Medical Service                                 |  | Full-time & On-Call                     |              |
| Nearest Hospital(s)                                       |  | Distance                                | Staffed Beds |
| Lakes Region General, Laconia                             |  | 6 miles                                 | 88           |
| UTILITIES   |  |   |              |
| Electric Supplier   |  | Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop     |              |
| Natural Gas Supplier                                      |  | Liberty Utilities                       |              |
| Water Supplier  |  | Belmont Water Department; private wells |              |
| Sanitation  |  | Private septic & municipal              |              |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant                      |  | No                                      |              |
| Solid Waste Disposal                                      |  |   |              |
| Curbside Trash Pickup                                     |  | Municipal                               |              |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program                                  |  | No                                      |              |
| Recycling Program   |  | Voluntary                               |              |
| Telephone Company   |  | Fairpoint                               |              |
| Cellular Telephone Access                                 |  | Yes                                     |              |
| Cable Television Access                                   |  | Yes                                     |              |
| Public Access Television Station                          |  | Yes                                     |              |
| High Speed Internet Service:                              |  | Business                                | Yes          |
|   |  | Residential                             | Yes          |
| PROPERTY TAXES  |  | (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)    |              |
| 2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                 |  | \$22.44                                 |              |
| 2013 Equalization Ratio                                   |  | 122.6                                   |              |
| 2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)            |  | \$27.23                                 |              |
| 2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |  |   |              |
| Residential Land and Buildings                            |  | 81.1%                                   |              |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             |  | 17.2%                                   |              |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  |  | 1.7%                                    |              |
| HOUSING   |  | (ACS 2009-2013)                         |              |
| Total Housing Units                                       |  | 3,592                                   |              |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached                 |  | 2,367                                   |              |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures:                      |  |   |              |
| Two to Four Units in Structure                            |  | 292                                     |              |
| Five or More Units in Structure                           |  | 152                                     |              |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units                      |  | 781                                     |              |

| <b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> (US Census Bureau)                         |               |                     |
|--|---------------|---------------------|
| Total Population   | Community     | County              |
| 2013   | <b>7,323</b>  | <b>60,268</b>       |
| 2010   | <b>7,356</b>  | <b>60,088</b>       |
| 2000   | <b>6,747</b>  | <b>56,576</b>       |
| 1990   | <b>5,677</b>  | <b>49,294</b>       |
| 1980   | <b>4,026</b>  | <b>42,884</b>       |
| 1970   | <b>2,493</b>  | <b>32,367</b>       |
| <b>Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013</b> |               |                     |
| Population by Gender   |               |                     |
| Male   | <b>3,435</b>  | Female <b>3,888</b> |
| Population by Age Group  |               |                     |
| Under age 5  |               | <b>503</b>          |
| Age 5 to 19  |               | <b>1,543</b>        |
| Age 20 to 34   |               | <b>1,164</b>        |
| Age 35 to 54   |               | <b>2,092</b>        |
| Age 55 to 64   |               | <b>1,134</b>        |
| Age 65 and over  |               | <b>887</b>          |
| Median Age   |               | <b>40.1 years</b>   |
| Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over           |               |                     |
| High school graduate or higher                                 |               | <b>86.6%</b>        |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                                    |               | <b>18.6%</b>        |
| <b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2009-2013)           |               |                     |
| Per capita income  |               | <b>\$24,880</b>     |
| Median family income   |               | <b>\$63,325</b>     |
| Median household income  |               | <b>\$61,155</b>     |
| Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers                 |               |                     |
| Male   |               | <b>\$48,471</b>     |
| Female   |               | <b>\$37,533</b>     |
| Individuals below the poverty level                            |               | <b>7.3%</b>         |
| <b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMI)                               |               |                     |
| Annual Average   | 2003          | 2013                |
| Civilian labor force   | <b>4,141</b>  | <b>4,234</b>        |
| Employed   | <b>3,972</b>  | <b>3,998</b>        |
| Unemployed   | <b>169</b>    | <b>236</b>          |
| Unemployment rate  | <b>4.1%</b>   | <b>5.6%</b>         |
| <b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMI)                    |               |                     |
| Annual Average Covered Employment                              | 2003          | 2013                |
| Goods Producing Industries                                     |               |                     |
| Average Employment   | <b>563</b>    | <b>463</b>          |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 798</b> | <b>\$1,190</b>      |
| Service Providing Industries                                   |               |                     |
| Average Employment   | <b>1,425</b>  | <b>1,556</b>        |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 600</b> | <b>\$ 716</b>       |
| Total Private Industry   |               |                     |
| Average Employment   | <b>1,988</b>  | <b>2,019</b>        |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 656</b> | <b>\$ 824</b>       |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)                         |               |                     |
| Average Employment   | <b>273</b>    | <b>350</b>          |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 720</b> | <b>\$ 806</b>       |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government                        |               |                     |
| Average Employment   | <b>2,261</b>  | <b>2,368</b>        |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 663</b> | <b>\$ 822</b>       |

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Shaker Regional (Belmont, Canterbury)**District: **SAU 80**Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Agricultural Programs, Tilton**Region: **8**

| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) | Elementary       | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial |
|---|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Number of Schools                                 | <b>1</b>         | <b>1</b>           | <b>1</b>    |                   |
| Grade Levels                                      | <b>P K R 1-4</b> | <b>5-8</b>         | <b>9-12</b> |                   |
| Total Enrollment                                  | <b>452</b>       | <b>371</b>         | <b>413</b>  |                   |

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Southern NH University, Laconia**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **165**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES          | PRODUCT/SERVICE                  | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Wilcom Products, Inc.       | Telecommunication test equipment | 108       | 1967        |
| Shaw's Supermarket          | Supermarket                      | 95        |             |
| First Student               | Bus transportation               | 80        |             |
| All Metals Industries, Inc. | Metal product supplier           | 80        |             |
| Belmont Elementary School   | Education                        | 76        |             |
| Metrocast Cablevision       | Provide cable service            | 73        |             |
| Lakes Region Coca-Cola      | Bottling & distribution center   | 70        |             |
| Belmont High School         | Education                        | 69        |             |
| Belmont Middle School       | Education                        | 68        |             |
| Lodge at Belmont            | Racing                           | 50        |             |

**TRANSPORTATION** (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

|                          |              |                      |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Road Access              | US Routes    | <b>3</b>             |
|                          | State Routes | <b>106, 107, 140</b> |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit |              | <b>I-93, Exit 20</b> |
| Distance                 |              | <b>5 miles</b>       |

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Railroad              | <b>State owned line</b> |
| Public Transportation | <b>WTS</b>              |

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

|                          |                  |                          |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Laconia Municipal</b> | Runway           | <b>5,286 ft. asphalt</b> |
| Lighted? <b>Yes</b>      | Navigation Aids? | <b>Yes</b>               |

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

|  |          |                 |
|--|----------|-----------------|
| <b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>            | Distance | <b>40 miles</b> |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport |          | <b>4</b>        |

Driving distance to select cities:

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Manchester, NH    | <b>41 miles</b>  |
| Portland, Maine   | <b>85 miles</b>  |
| Boston, Mass.     | <b>91 miles</b>  |
| New York City, NY | <b>296 miles</b> |
| Montreal, Quebec  | <b>240 miles</b> |

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2009-2013*)

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over  |                     |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | <b>78.7%</b>        |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van   | <b>14.0%</b>        |
| Public transportation      | <b>0.8%</b>         |
| Walked                     | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Other means                | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Worked at home             | <b>6.5%</b>         |
| Mean Travel Time to Work   | <b>27.2 minutes</b> |

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013**

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Working in community of residence | <b>19.5</b> |
| Commuting to another NH community | <b>70.6</b> |
| Commuting out-of-state            | <b>9.9</b>  |

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| <b>X</b> | Municipal Parks                         |
|          | YMCA/YWCA                               |
|          | Boys Club/Girls Club                    |
| <b>X</b> | Golf Courses                            |
|          | Swimming: Indoor Facility               |
|          | Swimming: Outdoor Facility              |
|          | Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility          |
| <b>X</b> | Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility         |
|          | Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility       |
|          | Bowling Facilities                      |
|          | Museums                                 |
|          | Cinemas                                 |
|          | Performing Arts Facilities              |
|          | Tourist Attractions                     |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H) |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Baseball                  |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Soccer                    |
|          | Youth Sports: Football                  |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Basketball                |
|          | Youth Sports: Hockey                    |
| <b>X</b> | Campgrounds                             |
| <b>X</b> | Fishing/Hunting                         |
| <b>X</b> | Boating/Marinas                         |
| <b>X</b> | Snowmobile Trails                       |
| <b>X</b> | Bicycle Trails                          |
| <b>X</b> | Cross Country Skiing                    |
| <b>X</b> | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area     |
| <b>X</b> | Overnight or Day Camps                  |

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Gunstock**Other: **Belknap 4-H Fair**